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A few days ago we received an order from a Lincoln county merchant for stationery, stating that since our representative called he had discovered his need of letter-heads and envelopes. We wrote him for information regarding quality of goods, prices, etc. Also suggested that he must be mistaken as to name of representative and the firm he represented. We have received his reply in which he states that the party who called claimed to represent this office and gave his name as Cook. The prices made by this man were far below customary prices of reliable job-houses and unjust to local printers in whose section such propositions are made, and if any thing but cheap goods should be used would result in loss to the firm producing it. We desire every body to know, and especially honorable competition, that The News does not seek business under the dark lantern method; that it deals fairly with its competitors and sells its goods on merit. The representative who sought the order above referred to, claimed that he could beat Walton's prices. The Interior Journal and The Adair County News are competitors in certain territory, but they are on the most friendly terms and seek business by fair and honorable methods. The News is not willing to destroy fair and equitable prices, already brought to the lowest mark by honorable firms, to gain an advantage over a competitor. It refuses to plunge the dagger into a business to collect a few crumbs that might otherwise drift away. We want business but at living prices, and if we fail to get it then we hope that those who do may receive a just reward for their labors. Mr. C. H. Murrell is the only gentleman who travels for The News and he has never been in Lincoln county soliciting job-work.

The Census Bureau has just issued a bulletin which gives the estimated population of the United States for 1903, exclusive of Alaska and the insular possessions, at 79,900,280. This is an increase of 3,905,814, since the census of 1900. The population is estimated for 438 cities giving 10,000 or more inhabitants in 1900. According to these estimates New York is now a city of 3,715,139 inhabitants; Chicago is rapidly approaching the two million mark, having 1,873,220 inhabitants; Philadelphia has 1,367,716; St. Louis has just passed the 600,000 mark and Boston has almost reached it. Baltimore has 631,312. Cleveland is now a considerable distance ahead of Cincinnati, which cities have 414,960 and 322,934, respectively. Buffalo, San Francisco, Pittsburgh, Detroit, Milwaukee and New Orleans have all greatly increased their populations.

In the United States District Court at St. Louis Judge Adams overruled the motion of Senator J. R. Burton's attorneys for a new trial and sentenced Burton to six months in jail, and imposed a fine of \$2,500. Burton was charged with accepting a bribe, and the Judge said the verdict was warranted by the evidence.

There has been another assassination in Breathitt county. This time James Johnson, who was a nephew of the lamented J. B. Marecum, was shot from ambush by Jack Spier. Spier has been captured. He should not be tried in Breathitt county where the Hargises and Callahans hold sway.

The Hearst crowd failed to get in much work at the Kansas Democratic State Convention. They only secured six delegates out of twenty.

The St. Louis Attorney, Folk, who is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor is gaining as the days go by despite the combined opposition of three other prominent Democratic candidates. Mr. Folk has unearthed more political trickery and corruption and has prosecuted it more successfully than any other officer in all the country. By his record he has won the great common people, but has set the power of fraud and deception against him. No man doubts his courage or ability and every one who believes in a faithful, honest accounting of public officials should rally to his aid.

The fight is one for honest government, for the overthrow of corruption, and the people of other States are watching the battle the result of which may have a salutary effect on other Commonwealths and also on our Federal Government. The last week's primaries and conventions in several counties show the strength of Folk to be much stronger than had been conceded and clearly indicates that he will be the nominee unless the boodlers are more successful in managing the counties yet to cast their votes. It is a fight to the finish and here's hoping that the game attorney will be the next Governor of that great Democratic State that stands fifth in population and wealth and first in its efforts to expel boodlers from positions of public trust.

The race between Senator Bate and Gov. McMillin, for U. S. Senator, in "Sunny" Tennessee, is being settled by county primaries and at this hour the Governor, seems to be far in the lead. They are both good men, true to their party and loyal to their State.

GRADYVILLE.

Rev. A. L. Mell and Geo. W. Flowers spent Thursday at Portland.

Mrs. Sue Grissom and her daughter, Miss Lena, spent Saturday night with Mrs. W. M. Wilmore.

Mr. Polk Mitchell and wife, of Eads, spent Saturday night at W. W. Yates.

Mrs. Charlotte Patterson, of Breding, is visiting her nephew, G. H. Nell, Smith & Nell spent Monday in Metcalfe county receiving logs at the market.

J. J. Hunter returned from Louisville Friday.

The tobacco in this section has all been sold and our farmers are preparing for a much larger crop.

Geo. T. Flowers and his son, Lee, spent part of last week fishing.

Prof. G. B. Yates and Willie Hill were in Columbia Friday.

Mrs. Anna Stultz, of Columbia, accompanied Miss Mollie Flowers home Friday.

James Debold will preach at Morris chapel on the third Sunday afternoon, on the subject of baptism.

Rev. A. L. Mell is visiting his mother at Jeffersontown.

Mrs. G. W. Spillman has at this time 175 young chickens. Who can beat that?

Mesdames H. C. and J. D. Walker spent Thursday with Mrs. G. Whit Flowers, at Bells.

G. H. Nell, the well-known stock man, will erect a new dwelling this spring.

Mrs. J. W. Walker and Mrs. James Headon were on the sick list last week.

Mrs. Julia Baker, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. Mill, at Elizabethtown, has returned to our town.

G. T. Flowers, of Columbia, spent Saturday night with his father and mother in our city.

W. W. Yates was in Metcalfe county last week on business.

Misses Nina Hulse, Ella Bow, Mollie Flowers and Irene, Yates, students of Columbia, visited relatives here Saturday and Sunday.

A. W. Wilmore is having quite a large amount of stave timber prepared for the market.

C. W. Sparks, the well-known merchant of West, made his regular trip to Horse Cave last week.

Mr. Willie Jones made a trip to Elizabethtown last Thursday. Mr. Jones says he has greatly increased with that place.

Hann & Myers, of Columbia, passed through here last week enroute for Metcalfe county looking after horses.

Mr. Sam White, of Columbia, was here last week working insurance.

Dr. S. A. Taylor, a well-known horse to Mr. Clark, Yates for \$80.

Robt. Rose, Francis James, James Gilpin and Frank Curry, well-to-do farmers of Sparkville, were here Friday and reported lots of sickness in their midst.

Born to the wife of Larmes Montgomery, on the 5th, a daughter, mother and child doing well.

The residence of W. M. Coomer was struck by lightning a few nights ago, doing considerable of the damage. All

family were visiting, or some one might have been hurt.

Rev. A. L. Mell preached an interesting sermon to a large crowd at the E. Church last Sunday.

Our doctors, preachers and merchants, done some farming last week during the nice sunshine.

We are glad to note that we have been informed that the peach crop is not hurt and the prospects are flattering for a good crop of fruit.

Strong Hill, P. V. Grissom and John Cook, commercial men, were here last week.

Prof. G. B. Yates closed his school last week. He is one of best teachers and gave perfect satisfaction.

REELS & RODS.

The ground is too wet to plow. Miss Edna Duvall, of Gaylord, Kan., is visiting relatives here.

B. F. Buster has been appointed as manager for the new distillery of Beck & Smith.

M. L. Littrell and J. F. Neat, grocerymen, were here last week.

C. C. Buster is making preparations to visit his son, Hoskin, at Straight Creek.

Mrs. Stella Iiam, of Burnside, is visiting her father.

Mrs. Louis Ramsey returned home on the Str. Warren after a two week's visit to her sister, Mrs. J. E. Jones.

Our accommodating merchant, Mr. Wm. Higginbottom, who has been confined to his room for nearly six months, is now able to be at his place of business.

Mr. E. A. Raison was at Glensford

It is rumored that a man filling the description of Albert Burton, wanted in Adair county for the murder of officer Conover, crossed the river at Whetstone, Ky., going in the direction of Tennessee.

During the last rise in the river quite a large number of logs were started to Nashville.

The Water Oil & Gas Co., are again after oiling lines. The recent storm that was so damaging to property in general. They had four newly built derricks blown to the ground.

Mrs. Emma Grider, who has been confined to her bed for some time, is improving.

NOTICE.

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## PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. A. D. Coy was quite sick last week.

Miss Nellie Follis was on the sick list last week.

Mr. John D. Lowe was in Nashville, Tenn., last week.

Rev. W. C. Clemens has returned from Presbytery.

Miss Lora West has been quite sick for several days.

Mr. J. G. Patterson has been on the sick list for several days.

Miss Susan Grissom, of Bliss, spent last week in Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Sinclair have returned from Jellico, Tenn.

Dr. A. T. Jones, of Montpelier, spent Sunday night in Columbia.

Mrs. Susie Miller, wife of Dr. Sam Miller, is spending a few days in town.

Miss Mary Miller, who is in school here, has been quite sick for the past week.

Mr. R. H. Christie, merchant at Camp Knox, was here on business Monday.

Mr. J. G. Eubank spent several days of last week in the country hanging wall paper.

Mr. H. P. Willis and his daughter, Miss Estelle, visited in Greeneburg last week.

Mr. M. H. Marcus, who was dangerously ill last week, has somewhat improved.

Mr. Claud Calison, who was severely kicked by a mule a few days ago, is getting along all right and will soon be well.

Mr. J. J. Hunter, Gradyville, returned from the Louisville market last Thursday.

Mrs. C. H. Murrell and her daughter, Miss Katie, were on the sick list last week.

Mr. G. W. Thomas, the well-known shoemaker of Somersett, was here last Friday.

Mr. Chesley Jones, of Montpelier, returned to St. Mary's College last Monday.

Allen, a little son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Eubank, who has been quite sick, is better.

Misses Delle Mitchell and Clara B. Flowers were spending a few days in Columbia last week.

Mr. J. E. Snow, of Russell Springs, was in Columbia Saturday night on his return from Nashville.

Rev. A. L. Mell, of Gradyville, accompanied by Miss Lila Grissom, Bliss, visited Columbia last Monday.

Mr. W. J. Johnson, managing the Globe Tailoring establishment, Cincinnati, is at home for a few days.

Mr. W. C. Gruber, wife and two daughters, Misses Ella and Flora, of Esto, were in Columbia Monday.

Mrs. Mary Harvey has been quite sick for several weeks. Last Friday she was compelled to dismiss her school.

Mr. J. A. Sheasler, representing the Inter-State Life Insurance Company of Indianapolis, is spending a few days in Adair.

Mrs. F. M. Frazer, of Middleboro, is visiting relatives and her numerous friends in Columbia. Her little son, Frank, is with her.

Mr. S. W. Royce was in Columbia last Monday. He reported himself and neighbors in fine health and farm work progressing as rapidly as the weather would admit.

Master Masons Abner Jones, A. D. Patterson and W. S. Hart, of Jamestown, received the degrees of Columbian Club, No. 7, last Friday afternoon and at night.

Mr. Peter Harvey, Jr., of Fair Play, left Monday for Louisville where he will buy his stock of Spring goods. Mr. Harvey is a successful merchant and has a splendid patronage in his part of the country.

Mr. J. S. Breslin and wife and their son, Robert, will leave for New Mexico about the first of May, where they will spend the summer. Mrs. Breslin's health has been in poor health for some time and the trip will be made for her benefit.

Mr. Geo. Winfrey and wife, of St. Louis, Mo., are visiting relatives in Columbia. George left home about eight years ago and will leave for his old home in Illinois. He subsequently accepted a position with a railroad company and for some time has been located in St. Louis. He left his old home a boy and returns to greet his old-time associates with a smile. His son, Mr. Winfrey, has a good education and the family will be made very pleasant.

## LOCAL JOTTINGS.

Geo. Monroe, an insurance agent, was landed in jail here Monday by the sheriff of Muhlenberg county. He is indicted in Adair for obtaining money under false pretenses.

This year, brighton up the studies of the Public Schools. Take the Normal course at the Lindsay-Wilson School and fear not failure in the examination.

Mr. Tim Bradshaw and daughter, Miss Elsie, are now receiving their Spring millinery. They invite their friends to call and examine the latest designs in hats, bonnets, etc., satisfied that they can be pleased.

Born, to the wife of Dr. O. S. Dunbar, April 6, 1904, a daughter.

Any one having a good, gentle buggy horse for sale, see J. V. White.

The residents of Columbia are now putting in their gardens

It is a violation of the law to kill a robin or any kind of a song bird.

The Green county grand jury returned 123 indictments. There are 38 for gambling.

Court of Claims adjourned last Friday morning. A great deal of business was transacted.

The Adair Circuit court commences the third Monday in May. The docket, it is said, will be unusually light.

Mr. J. E. Snow, of Russell Springs, has embarked in the undertaker's business. See his "ad" in today's paper.

On the first page of this paper can be found a statement of the condition of the First National Bank, this city.

Mr. Rufus Mathews, editor Taylor County Enquirer, has purchased new machinery and will enlarge his paper.

Mr. A. D. Coy will move to the new residence owned by Mr. James Garrett, Jr., as soon as the building is completed.

It begins to look like Albert Burton, who murdered Marvin Conner, has gone in a hole and pulled the hole in after him.

Mr. W. S. Dey of Princeton county, known to a great many Columbians, has been appointed a guard at the Frankfort penitentiary.

It is unknown, not known to many citizens of Adair county that Mr. Geo. J. Hart and his wife are now residents of Campbellsville, having removed several weeks ago.

A party of raftsmen from Russell county reached Columbia last Saturday night. They floated three hundred logs and oak logs to Nashville, reducing his fractured jaw.

THE BRIDGE PROPOSITION.

Last week the people of Neatsville appeared before the Fiscal Court and asked for the building of a bridge across the Kentucky River at that place. There were several petitions made by citizens of Columbia and different parts of the county asking the court to consider this in the most favorable light and to build it if within its power. A proposal was made to contribute \$100 to the bridge fund to guarantee \$500 to the bridge.

The court after due consideration rejected the proposition and tendered one of its own to the people of that section and the bridge was not built.

On condition that the right of way and \$1,200 are contributed we agree to build the bridge in the year of 1915, and this proposition holds good until the April meeting of next year. The court realizes the importance of a bridge at this place, but for a number of years past the up-conditions and a comparison of the aid offered with the amounts given by others for similar structures, decided that the county was not in condition to build it. The court then agreed to contribute \$100 per year to the bridge fund to guarantee \$500 to the bridge.

The court then voted that the people who are asking for this improvement who are not able to contribute \$100 per year and within the reach of a limited officer, we have no personal interest in this matter but feel that it would be a great mistake on the part of the people to allow it to fail. The proposition is a reasonable one, which will be easily fitted and should it fail it would be a serious blow to that part of our county. Keep the faith, brace up your courage and renew your effort and you will be able to close the contract with the Fiscal court next fall.

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While the meeting is in progress it might be well enough to consider and act upon the following thought: Sin is always a greater wrong to the sinner than any other. Righteousness is the only recommendation that goes to the next grand jury.

Mr. Francis Jackman, wife of Prof. Parker Jackman, of color, continues to raise chickens without the aid of an incubator. She has at this time 173 young chicks, and some of them are more than a month old.

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#### ON A HUNT FOR PARTY.

Late advices from Indianapolis and Oil City, Pa., strengthen the belief that General Nelson A. Miles, retired, is conducting a strenuous, if still, hunt for some party that will nominate him for the presidency. For a time he seemed destined to secure the aid of the anti-imperialistic crowd of New England in an effort to foist himself upon the democratic party; but when it was demonstrated that Miles had never been a democrat, entertained no democratic beliefs, could secure the support of no democrats and that, moreover, there was no chance of those anti's of New England exerting any influence upon the democratic party, he wisely decided to turn his attention to other directions.

This he has done and nomination at the hands of the prohibition party seems now to be the goal of his ambition. To the chairman of the Venango county, Pennsylvania, prohibition committee General Miles has, in response to inquiries bearing upon this subject, written from his heart in this wise:

"It remains with my friends to say what services I shall render further to my country."

In consequence, the b-m is on the prohibition national convention to meet at Indianapolis the last day of June, and from that great prohibition center comes the statement that the nomination of Miles is as good as made.

It is not claimed for General Miles that he has ever been a prohibitionist in his profession; certainly he has never been in his practice; but little difference of this kind will not be permitted to stand in the way of a great national movement. Warrant for his selection to this high honor is found in the allegation that "Miles is the ep-ay of the centaur, the friend of the southern democracy and an opponent of Kossuth."

The prediction is made that as the nominee of the prohibition party General Miles would poll two million votes. That, in the eyes of the party's leaders, is sufficient warrant for his nomination, irrespective of all questions of principle. But even were he certain of no more than 1,999,999 he would still be the man of all men for this particular honor. The party needs a candidate, General Miles needs a party—and there you are—Atlanta Constitution.

#### CROP REPORT.

Commissr of AGRICULTURE V. Greenland has issued the following crop report for Kentucky: Owing to drought of last fall and the late seeding of the wheat crop it was in bad condition to stand the long, cold winter; consequently the report comes from all parts of the State that the wheat crop has suffered very materially, and nothing but an early spring and favorable summer can insure a fair crop of that cereal. Grasses and clover have also suffered, and the present condition will not exceed 50 or 60 per cent. of an average.

There is a good prospect for the planting of a full corn and potato crop. Live stock has generally stood the winter well, although feed is scarce in many localities. There is more cholera among hogs in the western part of the State. Cattle, hogs and horses are about an average in number throughout the State. There is a considerable falling off in the number of miles in many counties.

The prospect for apples and peaches is fairly good. The low prices of dark or export tobacco has greatly discouraged the farmers who grow those types. The indications are that the acreage of dark tobacco will be very materially decreased. The prices being paid for barley are more satisfactory and the acre on which this particular variety is grown will be considerably enlarged.

The farmer, like the groundhog, has been housed in all winter. Consequently little farm work has been done. Scarcely a furrow has been run for the spring crops.

We are encouraged to hope that with the opening of the water courses in the Far East the Russian army will take a bath.

The weather man, who is a seasoned philosopher, knows that ever so many swallows of book bees do not make a spring.

#### FROM NEBRASKA

MAX, NEB., March 31, 1904.

Editor of the News:

This is the last day of March and the wind is trying to blow it out.

We have had a dry winter—just one little snow; had no rain since last August; farmers can't plant seed until it rains. This is the place for those who don't like mud.

Stocks of all kind have done well this winter, having plenty of feed and plenty left.

Court was in session two days this week; just one case, that was against the city for a few feet of side-walk. M. A. Powell attended court as a jurymen.

James E. Powell has quit a \$60 per month job and has removed to the farm, upon which he has just completed a dwelling with eight rooms. Must be something in Nebraska dust.

I see Columbia is doing well in the school work, something that country long needed. I wish you great success. Sometimes I think I would like to be with you, for the word, Kentucky, sounds sweet to me. We have good schools here. Country schools have nine months to the year—books and everything furnished by the districts.

I see you are getting anxious for a railroad. Whoop it up, boys, whoop it up. No country cannot afford to be without one.

Max is on a book, two new ones this Spring.

A sad accident happened in Max last week. A Mr. Austin started to work with his team about that time three trains met—his team got scared, jerked him around, broke his neck and died his arm. He was 75 years old. His mother was living with him. They say she is 104 years old.

I don't think it is any use to say we like your paper for you can see we like it \$1.00 per year.

We see Jamestown is wanting a railroad. We hope they will get it, for we want to make our friends another visit. When we get on a train we want to go clear through.

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#### SPRING.

"God made the country and man the town," is indeed true, and no season of the year bears a more striking evidence of the far-reaching superiority of the Maker of the builders of cities than in the spring time, when nature dons her robes of royal splendor, and in every passing opportunity the shadow of a dream is cast. Then indeed is the comparison odious—or it can be said that there is a comparison between masses of brick and mortar, shaped into architectural symmetry by the hand of man, and the grace of a master builder in the open air, the clear sky, the wide green fields and still waters? Well may the terrors within the city's gates envy the life in the open fields. The youths and young maidens of the East, their native breath from the bosom of the earth, went to "the city" to win fame and fortune are wont to pause for a moment in the never ending daily glut of drudgery, and with but a glimmer of hope in the depths of the shadow windows still in their hearts for a glimpse of the well remembered scenes, a breath of the old fresh air, and a communion with nature and the meek eyed knee. The time comes at some time come into the lives of these maidens, when a longing to leave the city and view the world, the city for the place where the wind blows sweet from the fields nearby.

Where men know the names of their neighbors bear, where a man is missed when he's gone to lie.

With the peaceful ones who have ceased to care."

Col. Wm. F. Cuday, better known as "Buffalo Bill," asks for a divorce from his wife, who has been with him for years. A man in this city has petitioned for a divorce from a wife married by him in 1883 and who has borne him nine children. In each case cruelty on the part of the woman is the cause, while the man is innocent. He seems to have taken the time to a long time to find out their matrimonial ill-luck—so long, indeed, as to lead to the suspicion that their petitions have no real justice behind them. There are cases of divorce, however, as is sanctioned by the law, but we do not believe that any statute was ever passed with the expectation that it should be applied to cases of the kind mentioned above.

These persons who are keeping credit upon President Roosevelt on account of the decision of the Supreme Court in the Northern Securities case should not overlook the fact that it was Governor Van Sant of Minnesota, backed up by the people of the North and of the country at large, who started the war upon the combination. The Washington authorities were actually driven into the case by growing public indignation, backed and directed by the Democratic party. Otherwise it is clear that nothing would have been done.

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#### LAND BATTLES TO COME

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